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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 24 September 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m. 3rd meeting Conference Room 4

1. Organization of work of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/48/1 and Add.1).
2. Adoption of the agenda of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by the Secretary-General (A/48/233).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

10.30 a.m. 3rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Organization of work of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: first report of the General Committee (A/48/250 and Add.1)*.

* To be issued.

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 2nd meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

Organization of work

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID

- Morning* 669th meeting General Assembly Hall
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Address by the President of the African National Congress of South Africa, Mr. Nelson Mandela
 3. Closure of the meeting

* Following the adjournment of the 3rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

- 10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

- 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 9
- 2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 9

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

Second regular session of 1993

- 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5
- 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

OTHER MEETINGS

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(on United Nations interim offices)

- 9 a.m.- 9.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 3

GROUP OF 27 OF THE GROUP OF 77
(on the draft Ministerial Declaration)

- 9.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 3

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(on the draft Ministerial Declaration)

- Morning*- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 3

* Following the adjournment of the meeting of the Group of 27.

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE IBERO-AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO THE UNITED NATIONS

- 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room C

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

Committee on South Africa

- 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 8

Committee on Afghanistan

- 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 8

GENERAL BRIEFING FOR NEW DELEGATES ON
THE WORK OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 1
- 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 1

MEETING OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
(at the ambassadorial level)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m.

closed meeting

Conference
Room 2

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 27 September 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

10 a.m. 4th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the general debate:

Brazil

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America.

3. Address by His Excellency Dr. César Gaviria, President of the Republic of Colombia.

4. Continuation of the general debate:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Morihiro Hosokawa, Prime Minister of Japan

Morocco

Monaco

3 p.m. 5th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfredo Félix Cristiani-Burkard, President of the Republic of El Salvador.

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique.

3. Continuation of the general debate:

Egypt

Tunisia

Address by Her Excellency Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway

Australia

Côte d'Ivoire

Iceland

Chile

Djibouti

Albania

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ON THE CONVENTION ON JURISDICTIONAL IMMUNITIES OF STATES AND THEIR PROPERTY

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meetig	

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

The SPECIAL COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID will hold its 670th meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 1993, at 10.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The provisional agenda is as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Address by Mr. Benny Alexander, Secretary-General of the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania (PAC)
3. Closure of the meeting

All representatives of Member States and organizations are invited to attend.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1993 special session

In response to Executive Board decision 1993/22 (E/ICEF/1993/14), a special session of the UNICEF Executive Board will be held on 6 and 7 October 1993 at United Nations Headquar-

ters on the question of UNICEF headquarters office accommodation. The conference room will be announced at a later date. The report on headquarters office accommodation is contained in document E/ICEF/1993/AB/L.15.

Outstanding elections from the summer organizational session of the Executive Board officers will also be held to fill the following vacancies: Second Vice-Chairman of the Executive Board; two members and three alternates on the UNESCO/UNICEF Joint Committee on Education (JCE) for the 1993-1995 biennium; and two alternates on the UNICEF/WHO Joint Committee on Health Policy (JCHP) for the remainder of 1992-1994 biennium.

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document E/ICEF/1993/16.

Executive Board members, observers and others are requested to transmit their letters of credentials to the Secretary, UNICEF Executive Board (Three United Nations Plaza (H-12K), New York, N.Y. 10017) as soon as possible but *no later than 28 September 1993*.

OTHER MEETINGS

There will be a closed meeting of the GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE (at the ambassadorial level) (on coordination between the Group of 77 and the Non-aligned Countries Movement) on Wednesday, 29 September 1993, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

The Seventeenth Ministerial Meeting of the GROUP OF 77 will be held on Tuesday, 5 October 1993, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Ministerial Meeting will be preceded by the Fifth Annual Meeting of senior officials and the various chapters of the Group of 77, pursuant to provisions of the Caracas Ministerial Declaration of June 1989 (A/44/361), beginning on 1 October, also in Conference Room 2.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 September 1993

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

1st meeting

Organization of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum by the Secretary-General (A/BUR/48/1 and Add.1)

Section I

The General Committee decided to draw the Assembly's attention to the provisions reproduced in annexes V, VI, VII and VIII of its rules of procedure.

The General Committee took note of paragraphs 4 and 5 in the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

The General Committee took note of the letter contained in document A/48/416.

Organization of the session (Section II)

Section II.A

The General Committee took note of rule 40 of the rules of procedure, Assembly decision 34/401, Assembly resolution 39/88 B and the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45.

Section II.B

The General Committee took note of paragraphs 7 and 8 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly to paragraph 9 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

The General Committee took note of paragraph 10 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

Section II.C

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the forty-eighth session should recess not later than Tuesday, 21 December 1993 and close on Monday, 19 September 1994.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that all the Main Committees should start their work as soon as possible and make every effort to complete their work by Friday, 3 December 1993.

Section II.D

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that all plenary meetings as well as meetings of the Main Committees should begin at 10 a.m. promptly.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the Assembly to the fact that services will not be available beyond 6 p.m. for week-day plenary and Main Committee meetings of the Assembly, as well as for meetings on week-ends.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that, in order to avoid the late start of meetings, the General Assembly should waive the requirement of the presence of at least one third of the members to declare a plenary meeting open and permit the debate to proceed and one quarter of the members to declare a meeting of the Main Committee open and permit the debate to proceed.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that delegations should be reminded of the utmost importance of punctuality in the interest of ensuring an effective and orderly organization of work and achieving economies for the United Nations.

Section II.E

The General Committee endorsed the suggestions contained in paragraphs 15 and 16 in the memorandum of the Secretary-General concerning the duration of the general debate (beginning 27 September and ending 14 October) and the closure of the list of speakers (to close 29 September at 6 p.m.).

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the decision taken by the Assembly at previous sessions, that the practice of expressing congratulations inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech has been delivered was prohibited. It further recommended that speakers in the general debate leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 located behind the podium.

Section II.F

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 of its decision 34/401, concerning explanations of vote and rights of reply.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that points of order be limited to five minutes.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly, as it did at recent sessions, to rules 72 and 114 of the rules of procedure and paragraph 22 of annex VI thereto for appropriate action in plenary meetings and the Main Committees.

Section II.G

The General Committee took note that verbatim records would be provided during the forty-eighth session for the plenary meetings of the Assembly and that summary records would be provided for the meetings of the General Committee and the Main Committees of the Assembly.

The General Committee also decided to recommend to the General Assembly that its decision not to reproduce *in extenso* statements made in a Main Committee should be maintained for the forty-eighth session.

Section II.H

The General Committee was informed of the seating arrangements to be observed during this session.

Section II.I

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the need for full implementation of paragraph 17 of General Assembly decision 34/401 concerning concluding statements.

Section II.J

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 32 of its decision 34/401 and to recommendation 3 (f) of the group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts and further to paragraphs 1 and 10 of the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the Assembly exercise maximum restraint in making requests or proposals that might incur additional expenditure for the Organization.

Section II.K

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 28 of its decision 34/401 relating to reports of the Secretary-General or subsidiary organs.

The General Committee took note of paragraph 30 concerning control of documentation.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, the Russian Federation, Uruguay, Guatemala, Colombia, India, Egypt, Algeria, Benin and the United Republic of Tanzania.

The Chairman made a statement.

The General Committee took note of paragraph 31 concerning distribution of documents.

Section II.L

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the provisions contained in paragraphs 32 and 33 in the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

The General Committee decided to draw the attention of Member States to the observations of the Secretary-General contained in paragraphs 34 and 35 in his memorandum.

Section II.M

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should take note of the recommendation contained in paragraph 36.

The representative of Guatemala made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

The General Committee decided to endorse the suggestion contained in paragraph 37.

Section II.N

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to the recommendations referred to in paragraphs 38 and 39 of the memorandum of the Secretary-General.

Section II.O

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the Assembly should authorize meetings of subsidiary organs referred to in paragraph 39 (a) (A/BUR/48/1/Add.1)

Observations and proposals on the organization of future sessions (Section III)

The General Committee took note of paragraphs 40 and 41 and endorsed the suggestion contained in paragraph 42.

Adoption of the agenda (Section IV)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the Assembly direct its Main Committees to review their agenda with a view to streamlining their program of work as suggested in paragraph 44.

Items 1 to 6

The General Committee took note that the General Assembly had already dealt with items 1 to 6 of the draft agenda.

Items 7 to 24

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 25

The representative of France made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 26 to 37

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 38

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the wording of *Item 38* be changed to "Elimination of apartheid and establishment of a united, democratic and non-racial South Africa".

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 39 and 40

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 41

The Committee decided to invite the representative of Afghanistan, at his request, to take a place at the table.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the wording of *Item 41* be changed to "Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan".

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 42 to 51

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 52

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Afghanistan, at his request, to take a place at the Committee table.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 53 to 88

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 89

The representatives of Burkina Faso and Germany made statements.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that consideration of this item be deferred to the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly and that it be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

Item 90

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 91

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 92 to 120

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 121

The representatives of Egypt and the United Kingdom made statements.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that consideration of this item be deferred to the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly and that it be included in the provisional agenda of that session.

Items 122 to 139

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 140 (b)

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this sub-item in the agenda.

Item 140

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in its entirety in the agenda.

Items 141 to 151

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 152

The representative of Pakistan made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 153

The representative of Papua New Guinea made a statement in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 154

The representative of New Zealand made a statement in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 155 and 156

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 157

The representatives of Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Canada and the United States made statements.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda as a sub-item of item 109 of the draft agenda.

Item 158

The representatives of Guatemala, China, Pakistan, Grenada, the United Republic of Tanzania, Sri Lanka, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt, Bangladesh, Benin, the Russian Federation, India and Slovakia made statements.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

The General Committee decided not to recommend the item for inclusion in the agenda of the forty-eighth session.

Items 159 and 160

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

Item 161

The representative of Panama made a statement in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Item 162

The representative of Sweden made a statement in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include this item in the agenda.

Items 163 to 165

The General Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include these items in the agenda.

2nd meeting

Allocation of items (Section V)

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 4 of its decision 34/401.

The General Committee decided to draw the General Assembly's attention to paragraph 5 of the annex to Assembly resolution 39/88 B and to paragraph 6 of the annex to Assembly resolution 45/45.

Item 140 (b)

The General Committee decided to recommend that sub-item (b) of item 140 should be allocated to the Fifth Committee.

Item 152

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 152 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 153

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 153 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 154

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 154 should be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

Item 155

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 155 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 156

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Colombia to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Colombia (on behalf of the group of 77) made a statement.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The representatives of Egypt, Benin and Guatemala made statements.

The General Committee decided to defer its recommendation on the allocation of item 156.

Item 157

The representatives of Liechtenstein, India and the United States made statements.

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 157 should be allocated to the Third Committee as a sub-item of item 109 of the draft agenda, on the understanding that it would be introduced in plenary meeting and considered in the Third Committee.

Item 159

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 159 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 160

The representative of Egypt made a statement concerning item 160.

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 160 should be allocated to the First Committee.

Item 161

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 161 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 162

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 162 should be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Item 165

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 165 should be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

Report of the Economic and Social Council

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the suggested allocation of various parts of the report of the Economic and Social Council, as contained in paragraph 48.

Decolonization

The General Committee decided to recommend that the chapters of the report of the Special Committee relating to specific territories should be referred to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee, thus enabling the Assembly to

deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

Human rights award

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly that the ceremony for the award of human rights prizes in 1993 be held on Friday, 10 December 1993.

Apartheid

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 38 should be considered directly in plenary meeting where representatives of the Organization of African Unity and of national liberation movements recognized by that Organization would be permitted to speak, and that organizations and individuals having a special interest in the question would be permitted to be heard by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee.

Question of Falkland Islands (Malvinas)

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 46 should be considered directly in plenary meeting, on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be permitted to be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee.

Cyprus - allocation of item is deferred

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 54 be allocated at an appropriate time during the session.

Disarmament/IAEA report

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 71 should be drawn to the attention of the First Committee.

Advancement of Women

The General Committee decided to recommend that the annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women should be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 95 of the draft agenda.

International drug control

The General Committee decided to recommend, with regard to item 113, that the plenary meetings to examine urgently the status of international cooperation against the illicit production, sale, demand, traffic and distribution of narcotics and psychotropic substances, should be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 26 and 27 October 1993.

Joint Inspection Unit

The General Committee decided to recommend that item 127 should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the reports at the Joint Inspection Unit

dealing with subject-matters assigned to other Main Committees would be referred also to those committees.

International Year of the Family

The General Committee decided to recommend that the launching of the International Year of the Family should be held on Tuesday, 7 December, in the morning.

Plenary items

Items 41 and 45

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Belgium to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Belgium made a statement.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Afghanistan to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Nicaragua to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guatemala and the United Kingdom.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Nicaragua to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a statement.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Afghanistan to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Afghanistan made a statement.

The General Committee decided to defer its recommendation on the allocation of items 41 and 45.

The General Committee decided to recommend the proposed allocation of items, including items 152, 153, 155, 159, 161, 162 and excluding item 54 and bearing in mind the decisions taken on item 41, item 45, item 156 and item 157, to be considered directly in plenary meeting.

First Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the proposed allocation of items, including item 160, to be considered by the First Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend the allocation of these items, taking into account its decision on the item entitled "Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India" and its decision on the item entitled "Question of East Timor".

Second Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the proposed allocation of items to be considered by the Second Committee.

Third Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the proposed allocation of items, bearing in mind the decision taken on item 157, to be considered by the Third Committee.

Fifth Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the proposed allocation of items, including sub-item (b) of item 140, to be considered by the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee items

The General Committee decided to recommend to the Assembly the proposed allocation of items, including item 154 and item 165, to be considered by the Sixth Committee.

Thursday, 23 September 1993

SECURITY COUNCIL

3282nd meeting

The question concerning Haiti

Report of the Secretary-General (S/26480 and Add.1)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/26484, which had been submitted by the United States of America, and made revisions to the text of the draft resolution (S/26484) in its provisional form.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/26484), as orally revised in its provisional form.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/26484), as orally revised in its provisional form, received 15 votes in favour and was adopted unanimously as resolution 867 (1993).

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, statements following the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, France, Japan, China, Spain and Brazil, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Venezuela.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING
COMMITTEE FOR THE ELABORATION
OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION IN
THOSE COUNTRIES EXPERIENCING SERIOUS
DROUGHT AND/OR DESERTIFICATION,
PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA

Second session

United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER 1993

WORKING GROUP I

10th meeting

Elaboration of an international convention to combat desertification in countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa [3]

Financial resources and mechanisms

The Working Group continued its discussion of the topic.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Japan, Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Switzerland, Germany, Tunisia, Spain, Nigeria, the Niger, Benin, Senegal, Malawi, the Netherlands, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Portugal, Bolivia, and Kenya.

A statement was made by the representative of UNEP.

A statement was also made by the observer of the Global Coalition for Environment and Development, on behalf of the community of non-governmental organizations.

The representative of the Secretariat also made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement summarizing the discussion of the topic.

Coordination and cooperation

The Working Group began its discussion of the topic.

Statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, Canada, Belgium (on behalf of the European Community), Algeria, Mali (on behalf of the African Group), Australia, the Niger, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Burkina Faso, the United Republic of Tanzania and Mauritania.

The Chairman made a statement summarizing the discussion of the topic.

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United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Fortieth session (First part)
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1993

828th plenary meeting

General statements

The Board hear statements by the representatives of China, Switzerland, the Russian Federation and Slovakia.

The President announced that the general statements had concluded.

Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board [11 (f)]

The Board took note that there were no applications for status from intergovernmental bodies before the Board at the first part of its fortieth session.

Designation and classification of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board [11 (g)]

New applications

Having been informed that the Bureau had concurred with the recommendations of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD (TD/B/40(1)/R.1), the Board decided to designate and classify six non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure and in accordance with paragraph 12 (a) and (b) of Board decision 43 (VII), as follows:

General Category: Third World Network (TWN) (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.2); Latin American and Caribbean Free Zone Association (AZOLCA) (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.3);

Special Category: Environmental Development Action in the Third World (ENDA) (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.1) - Standing Committee on Commodities, Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation, Ad Hoc Working Group on the Interrelationship between Investment and Technology Transfer; Ibero-American Institute of Maritime Law (IIDM) (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.4) - Standing Committee on Developing Services Sectors; EDI World Institute (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.5) - Standing Committee on Developing Services Sectors, Ad Hoc Working Group on Trade Efficiency; Public Services International (PSI) (TD/B/40(1)/R.1/Add.6) - Ad Hoc Working Group on Comparative Experiences with Privatization.

Register of national NGOs

The Board took note that, following consultation with the Member State concerned (Ecuador), the Secretary-General of UNCTAD had included the Corporation for Development Studies (CORDES) in the Register of national non-governmental organizations provided for under Board decision 43 (VII), Section III (TD/B/40(1)/L.2).

Change of name of a non-governmental organization

The Board took note that the Federation of Western European Rope and Twine Industries (EUROCORD), which had been granted Special Category status at the first part of the twenty-fourth session of the Board, had changed its name to Federation of European Rope and Twine Industries, but had retained the acronym "EUROCORD".

The Board thus concluded its consideration of items 11 (f) and 11 (g).

Other matters in the field of trade and development [9]

- (a) *Progressive development of the law of international trade: twenty-sixth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law*

The President informed the Board that consideration of this item would have to be postponed, pending the availability of the UNCITRAL report.

- (b) *Market-based mechanisms for the transfer of technology to developing countries*

Mr. V. Kelkar, Director of the International Trade Division, made an introductory statement in which he drew attention to the note by the UNCTAD secretariat in document TD/B/40(1)/CRP.3.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, India, Egypt, Chile and Algeria.

The Board decided to refer this item to the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Interrelationship between Investment and Technology Transfer for further consideration.

International implications of macro-economic policies and issues concerning interdependence: growth dynamics in the context of global interdependence [2]

The item was introduced by Mr. S. Abrahamian, Chief, International Monetary Issues, Global Interdependence Division, drawing upon parts 1 and 2 of the *Trade and Development Report 1993*.

SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I

2nd meeting

UNCTAD's contribution, within its mandate, to sustainable development: trade and environment [4]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the Chairman of the Sessional Committee and Mr. V. Kelkar, Director, International Trade Division. The

following representatives made statements: Egypt (as Chairman of the Committee on Trade and Development, GATT), Indonesia (on behalf of the Asian Group), United States, Finland (on behalf of the Nordic Countries), Egypt, Chile, Brazil, Canada, Belgium (on behalf of the European Community), Switzerland, Bangladesh, Austria, China, Japan, Romania and India, as well as the representative of the European Economic Community.

SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II

2nd meeting

Specific action related to the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries [7]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item. A statement was made by the representative of Mongolia. In concluding the general debate on the item, the Chairman made a statement. The Committee took note of the reports contained in documents TD/B/40(1)/2-TD/B/LDC/AC.1/4, TD/B/40(1)/4 and TD/B/40(1)/5 and endorsed the conclusions and recommendations as contained in TD/B/40(1)/2-TD/B/LDC/AC.1/4.

UNCTAD's assistance to the Palestinian people [8]

The Committee began its consideration of the item. An introductory statement was made by Mr. S. Kazemi, Chief of the Special Committee Unit (Palestinian people). Statements were made by the representatives of Palestine, the Syrian Arab Republic, Malaysia (on behalf of Asia), Belgium (on behalf of the European Community), the United States, Pakistan, the Republic Islamic of Iran, China, Israel and the Republic of Korea.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, signed at Geneva on 28 July 1951

*Accession: Bahamas (15 September 1993)**

Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, done at New York on 31 January 1967

*Accession: Bahamas (15 September 1993)**

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 20 December 1988

*Accession: Azerbaijan (22 September 1993)**

* The date of receipt of the relevant document.

*Fourth Extension of the International Coffee Agreement, 1983,
adopted by the International Coffee Council under Resolution
No. 363 of 4 June 1993*

Acceptance: Equatorial Guinea (22 September 1993)*
Finland (21 September 1993)*
Colombia (23 September 1993)*
Guatemala (23 September 1993)*

*International Sugar Agreement, 1992, concluded at Geneva on
20 March 1992*

Ratification: Finland (21 September 1993)*

*International Cocoa Agreement, 1993, concluded at Geneva on
16 July 1993*

Signature: Nigeria (23 September 1993)

*Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production,
Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Des-
truction, opened for signature at Paris on 13 January 1993*

Signature: Swaziland (23 September 1993)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant document.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Security

The Pass and Identification Office (Room GA-100), which is located inside the Delegates' Entrance, will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, 25 and 26 September 1993, to process passes for the members of delegations and mission staff.

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Special event

Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway, will present the fourth Rafael M. Salas Lecture on Tuesday, 28 September 1993, at 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The subject of Mrs. Brundtland's lecture will be "Population, environment and development". The lecture will be followed by a question-and-answer period. All representatives of Member States and organizations are invited to attend.

